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Appl. No. : 09/872,068 Confirmation No.: 1810  
Applicant : Brian K. Courtney et al.  
Filing Date : May 31, 2001  
Title : Embolization Protection System for Vascular Procedures  
Group Art Unit : 3763  
Examiner : Anhtuan T. Nguyen  
Docket No. : 704174.9  
Customer No. : 34313

Commissioner for Patents  
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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL**

- I. Submission required under 37 CFR § 1.114
- A. ☐ Previously submitted
1. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
2. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
3. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- B. ☐ Enclosed
1. ☒ Preliminary Amendment
2. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declarations(s)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
4. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE**

I hereby certify that this paper (along with any referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being faxed to Examiner Anhtuan T. Nguyen at 703/872-9306 at the United States Patent and Trademark Office, Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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## II. Miscellaneous

A. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(i) required.)

B. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

## III. Fees

A. ☐ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 15-0665

1. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR § 1.17(e) \$385.00

2. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR §§ 1.136 and 1.17) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

EXTENSION (months)	FEE FOR SMALL ENTITY	FEE FOR OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> one month	\$55.00	\$110.00
<input type="checkbox"/> two months	\$210.00	\$420.00
<input type="checkbox"/> three months	\$475.00	\$950.00
<input type="checkbox"/> four months	\$740.00	\$1,480.00
<input type="checkbox"/> five months	\$1,005.00	\$2,010.00
	<b>Fee</b>	<b>\$55.00</b>

B. 3. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed

Respectfully submitted,

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